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I wish to take the occasion of your detectment from CIA for important duties with the Newy to command you for your outstanding performance of duty as Essoutive of this Agency during your entire tear from 12 May 1947 to 1 June 1949.

You joined CTA in the initial stages of its development at a critical time. The fures and energy you have devoted to the problems of organization and coordination, and the text and good judgment you have descentrated in meeting and solving the many varing problems of administration have played a large part in the successful build up of the Agency and the effective accomplishment of its mission.

You may enter your new assignment with a sense of complete satisfaction in lessing a job well done in a superior manner in every respects

I personally and the many other friends you have made in CIA will miss you, and each of us wishes you every continued success in the future.

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